

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, GREAT LAKES, LAND USE, AND ENVIRONMENT

Thursday, April 28, 2005

9:00 a.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

Representative Palsrok, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan.

Representative Meyer moved to excuse absent members.

Representative Miller supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Kathleen Law.

Representative Gillard moved to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2005 meeting.

Representative Pavlov supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4603 and SB 332 before the committee.

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| HB 4603 Palsrok | Environmental protection; water pollution; water pollution laws that prohibit the discharge of biological organisms; provide enforcement. |
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| SB 332 Birkholz | Environmental protection; water pollution; water pollution laws that prohibit the discharge of biological organisms; provide enforcement. |
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Senator Birkholz, testified in support of SB 332.

Cathy Wilson, representing Consumers Energy, submitted a card in support of SB 332, but did not wish to speak.

Winston Feeheley, representing DTE Energy, submitted a card in support of SB 332 as passed by the Senate, but did not wish to speak.

David Bertram, representing the Michigan Townships Association, submitted a card in support of HB 4603 and SB 332, but did not wish to speak.

Doug Roberts, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, submitted a card in support of HB 4603 and SB 332, but did not wish to speak.*

Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufactures Association, submitted a card in support of HB 4603 and SB 332, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Meyer moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to SB 332.

Representative Bennett supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Meyer moved to report out SB 332 as substituted (H-1) with recommendation.

Representative Gillard supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 332 (H-1) reported out with recommendation.

Representative Pavlov moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4603.

Representative Gillard supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to report out HB 4603 as substituted (H-1) with recommendation.

Representative Byrnes supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

HB 4603 (H-1) reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid HR 53 and HCR 11 before the committee.

HR 53 Kathleen Law A resolution to urge the United States Coast Guard to immediately eliminate the "No Ballast on Board" (NOBOB) exemption from regulations on ballast water management and require all ships with ballast tanks that enter the Great Lakes to conform to all regulations for ballast water management in federal law.

HCR 11 Gillard A concurrent resolution to urge the United States Coast Guard to immediately eliminate the "No Ballast on Board" (NOBOB) exemption from regulations on ballast water management and require all ships with ballast tanks that enter the Great Lakes to conform to all regulations for ballast water management in federal law.

The Chair gave members of the committee time to discuss HR 53 and HCR 11 before voting.

The committee received a presentation by William Beckman, representing Consumers Energy. The presentation was on "The Three E's: Energy, Environment and the Economy".

Representative LaJoy moved to report HR 53 with recommendation.

Representative Byrnes supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

HR 53 reported out with recommendation.

Representative Gillard moved to report HCR 11 with recommendation.

Representative Pearce supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov, Meyer, Palmer, LaJoy, Ward, Elsenheimer, Moore, Pearce, Gillard, Miller, Byrnes, Bennett and Donigan,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

HCR 11 reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:10 a.m.

Representative Palsrok, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
April 28, 2005
1 hour 10 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates printed materials attached to original minutes.